GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:266
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INFILTRATION VIA INDO BANGLADESH BORDER
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether Home Minister had visited Indo-Bangladesh border in the month of January, 2006;

(b) If so, the details of the progress of Indo-Bangladesh fencing project;

(c) Whether the Government has pledged to implement historical Assam accord in its totality:

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) Whether the Government of Assam has been urging the Government to seal borders so that infiltration from Bangladesh is stopped; and

(f) if so, the extent to which the Government has helped Assam in implementing projects of border ceiling?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) 2129 Kms of fence along Indo-Bangladesh border out of 3286 Kms. sanctioned has been completed till 31st January, 2006.

(c) & (d): The Government is committed to implement the Assam Accord. The progress of implementation of the Accord has been reviewed at the level of the Prime Minister on 5.5.2005 and the Union Home Minister on 2.1.2006.

(e) & (f): To check infiltration from across the border, the Government of India has decided to erect fencing along Indo-Bangladesh border including Assam. So far, 165 Kms. of fence out of 223 Kms. sanctioned in Assam Sector, has been completed till 31st January, 2006.